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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES, RULES, AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO PUBLIC HEALTH.

RICHLAND COUNTY, S. C.

Health Officer—Appointment, Duties, and Salary. (Act No. 283, S. C. Gen. Assembly, Feb. 20, 1915.)

SECTION 1. *Sanitary physician for Richland County; appointment; term; compensation; traveling expenses; equipment and supplies.*—That from and after the passage of this act there shall be a county sanitary physician, or health officer, for Richland County, to be employed by the executive committee of the State board of health for a period of four years, subject to removal by such executive committee. He shall receive a salary of \$2,000 a year, payable in equal monthly installments, and \$300 a year for traveling expenses or conveyance, and \$200 a year, if so much be necessary, for equipment and supplies, the items of said expenditures to be approved by the secretary of the said executive committee, such salary and expenditures to be paid out of the ordinary county funds.

SEC. 2. *Duties of physician.*—That it shall be the duty of the county sanitary physician to inspect frequently the sanitary conditions throughout the county and to inform the people by private and public communications as to the needs and means of promoting health and preventing disease, and especially to recommend and enforce proper measures for the control and removal of epidemics of typhoid fever, meningitis, infantile paralysis, scarlet fever, smallpox, and any and every other infectious or contagious disease. It shall further be his duty to discover, as far as practicable, every case of tuberculosis or other contagious or infectious disease in the county and endeavor to effect an isolation or segregation of such case or cases so as to prevent the spread of such disease, and wherever persons afflicted with such disease can not provide themselves with necessary care for the prevention of the spread of such disease it shall be the duty of the county sanitary physician to endeavor to secure for such persons the care of the tuberculosis camp or of such other institution as may be available.

SEC. 3. *Further duties of physician.*—That it shall further be the duty of said county sanitary physician to examine all children in the county under the age of 12 years, unless they have been examined by a physician, and to ascertain whether they have physical defects which might be remedied by treatment, and in every case where he discovers the need of treatment he shall communicate the facts to the parents, guardian, or other custodian of such child, and upon the neglect or failure of such custodian to provide the needed treatment the county sanitary physician shall treat the child, or if unable himself to render the necessary treatment, he shall cause such child to be sent to the Columbia children's clinic for such treatment: *Provided*, That he shall not treat or examine or remove any child without the consent of the parent, guardian, or other custodian, except upon evidence of the danger of the spread of some contagious or infectious disease.